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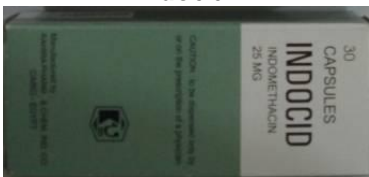


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## Drugs for Neurologic Disorders

### ❖ Pain Management

#### Analgesic, Anti-inflammatory and Anti- pyretic drugs

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
NSAID (Selective COX <sub>2</sub> Inhibitor)	Celecoxib	Celebrex <sup>®</sup> 	celoxib <sup>®</sup>
	Meloxicam	Mobic <sup>®</sup> 	Anticox II <sup>®</sup>
NSAID (Nonselective COX inhibitor)	Piroxicam	Feldene <sup>®</sup> 	Brexin <sup>®</sup> 
	Lornoxicam	Xefo <sup>®</sup> 	
	Ibuprofen	Brufen <sup>®</sup> 	Marcofen <sup>®</sup> 
	Ketoprofen	Ketofan <sup>®</sup> 	Profenid <sup>®</sup>  Bi-Profenid <sup>®</sup> (150mg) 
Combination	Ibuprofen + Paracetamol	Megafen	



Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
NSAID (Nonselective COX inhibitor)	Diclofenac Sodium	Voltaren® 	Olfen®  Anuva®
	Diclofenac sodium	Dolphin® (suppository) 	Voltaren® (suppository) 
	Diclofenac Potassium	Catafast® (sachets) 	Catafly®
	Diclofenac Potassium	Cataflam® 	Oflam® 
	Aceclofenac	Bristaflam 	Amoflam 
	Indomethacin	Indocid® 	Indomethacin® 
	Metamizole = Dipyrrone	Novalgine Oblong®* 	

\*Safety concerns (Agranulocytosis)





#### Hints:

-profen, -fenac, -oxicam = NSAID's



### Analgesic and Antipyretics

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Analgesic and Antipyretic drugs	Paracetamol	<b>Panadol<sup>®</sup></b> 	<b>Abimol<sup>®</sup> / Cetal<sup>®</sup></b> 
	ASA + Caffeine + Paracetamol	<b>Excedrin<sup>®</sup></b> 	<b>Markadel<sup>®</sup></b> 
	Caffeine + Paracetamol	<b>Panadol Extra<sup>®</sup></b> 	<b>Abimol Extra<sup>®</sup></b> 
	Paracetamol + Vit. C	<b>Cevamol<sup>®</sup> (eff.)</b> 	
	Aspirin + Vitamin C	<b>Aspirin C<sup>®</sup> (eff.)</b> 	<b>Aspro<sup>®</sup> (eff.)</b>

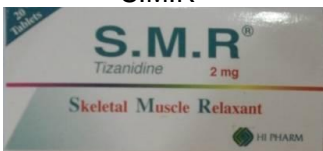







### Opioid analgesics

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
μ-opioid Receptor agonist & NE,5-HT-modulator	Tramadol HCl	<b>Tramadol<sup>®</sup></b>  <b>Tamol<sup>®</sup></b> 	<b>Trama SR<sup>®</sup></b>   <b>Ultradol<sup>®</sup></b> 
	Sumatriptan succinate	<b>Imigran<sup>®</sup></b> 	<b>Sumagrai<sup>®</sup>n</b>

### Migraine drugs



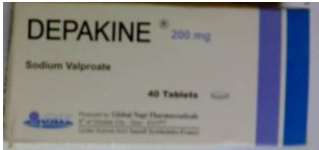



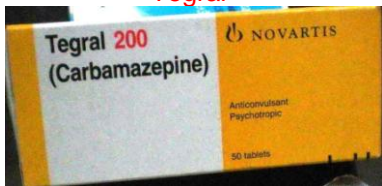


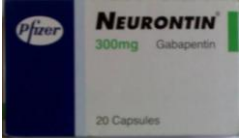
Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
combination	Ergotamine+ Caffeine + paracetamol+ Domperidone	No-Migrain® 	
	Ergotamine + Caffeine + Meprobamate +analgin	Migrainil® (Nile Company) 	prescribed medication only

### Skeletal Muscle Relaxants



Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
5HT-1 Receptor agonist	Tizanidine	S.M.R® 	Roysan® 
Alpha <sub>2</sub> -Adrenergic agonist	Chlorzoxazone + Ibuprofen	Myofen® 	Mark fast® 
	Chlorzoxazone + Paracetamol	Myogin® 	Relaxon®, myoflex® 
	Chlorzoxazone + Ketoprofen	Flexofan® 	
Skeletal muscle relaxant	Dantrolene sodium + Paracetamol	Dantrelax® 	



❖ **Anti-convulsants**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Phenytoin	Phenytoin	Ipantin <sup>®</sup> 	Phenytoin <sup>®</sup> 
Valproic acid	Valeproate sodium	Depakine <sup>®</sup> 	
Na <sup>+</sup> channel blocker	Lamotrigine	Lamictal <sup>®</sup> 	Lamotrine <sup>®</sup> 
Anticonvulsant, Miscellaneous	Carbamazepine	Tegretol <sup>®</sup> 	Tegral <sup>®</sup> 
Anticonvulsant, Miscellaneous	Gabapentin	Gaptin <sup>®</sup>  Conventin <sup>®</sup> 	Neurontin <sup>®</sup> 

❖ **Anti-parkinson's Drugs**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Dopamine Precursor	Levodopa + Carbidopa	Sinemet® 	
Anticholinergic/ Antimuscarinic	Biperiden HCL	Akineton® 	

❖ **Brain Disorders**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Peripheral Vasodilator increasing cerebral blood circulation	Vincamine	Oxybral® 	

## Drugs for Psychiatric Disorders

### ❖ Sedatives & Anxiolytics drugs

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed		Similar Product Names
Intermediate acting BDZ	Alprazolam	Xanax <sup>®</sup> 	Zolam <sup>®</sup> 	Restolam <sup>®</sup> 
Long acting BDZ	Diazepam	Neuril/ valinil <sup>®</sup> 	Valpam <sup>®</sup> 	
Intermediate-short acting BDZ	Bromazepam	Calmepam <sup>®</sup> 	Lexotanil <sup>®</sup> 	
Long acting BDZ	Clonazepam	Apetryl <sup>®</sup> 	Amotril <sup>®</sup> 	
Short acting BDZ	midazolam	Dormicum <sup>®</sup> 		
Non benzodiazepines	Kava kava extract	Kava <sup>®</sup> 		

\*Table2

#### Hints:









-bital= barbiturate

-zepam. -zolam = BDZ

❖ **Alzheimer's disease Drugs**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Acetylcholine esterase Inhibitor(AChEI)	Donepezil	Aricept® 	Donhimer® 




❖ **Anti-depressants**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
TCA	Clomipramine HCl	Anafronil® 	
	Nortriptyline 10.0 mg + Fluphenazine	Motival® 	
Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRI)	Escitalopram	Cipra pro® 	cipralex®
	Sertraline HCl	Lustral® 	
	Fluoxetine	Prozac®  Durazac® (once weekly) 	Philozac® 
5-HT & NE reuptake inhibitor (SNRI)	Venlafaxine HCl	Efexor® 	

**Hints:**

-tyline, -pramine = TCA

❖ **Anti-psychotics**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Typical (selective postsynaptic D <sub>2</sub> -receptors antagonist)	Sulpiride	Dogmatil® 	
Atypical (DA&5-HT receptor agonist)	Clozapine	Leponex® 	Clozapex®* 
	olanzapine	Zyprexa®	Olapex®, olazine®

\* **Clozapex**: black Box warning for Agranulocytosis and seizures.

## Drugs for Cardiovascular Disorders

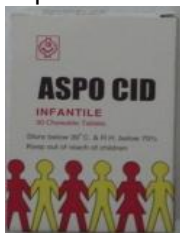
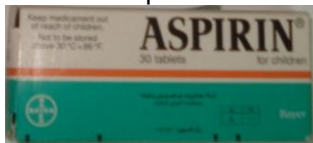


### ❖ Anticoagulants

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Heparins	heparin Calcium	Calheparine® 	
Low Molecular Weight Heparin	Enoxaparin calcium	Clexane® 	
	Tinzaparin	Innohep®	
	Nadroparin	Fraxiparine® 	
Fibrinolytic Enzymes	Streptokinase	Angikinase® 	Sedonase® 
Inhibits Vit K-dependent clotting factors	Warfarin Sodium	Marevan® 	

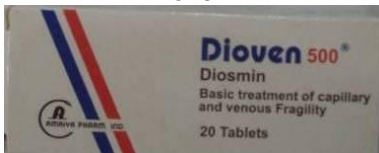


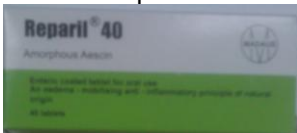

#### Hints:

-parin = (example: Heparin) Anticoagulants

## Antiplatelets


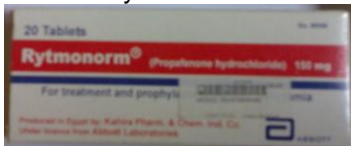

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
NSAID(COX inhibitor)	Acetyl Salicylate	Aspocid Infant <sup>®</sup> 	Aspirin <sup>®</sup> 
ADP receptor blocker	Clopidogrel	Plavix <sup>®</sup> 	Stroka <sup>®</sup> Mtogrel <sup>®</sup> 

## ❖ Capillary stabilizing drugs



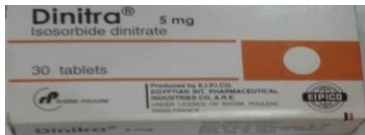




Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Vasoconstrictor (NE )	Diosmin	Dioven <sup>®</sup> 	
Oral phlebotropic drug	Diosmin + Hesperidin	Daflon <sup>®</sup> 	Dafrex <sup>®</sup> 
Peripheral venous and capillary stabilizer	Amorphous Aescin + diethy amine salicylate	Reparil <sup>®</sup> 	
Venous and capillary disorder Stabilizer	Almitrine bismesylate + Raubasine	Duxil <sup>®</sup> 	



### ❖ Anti-arrhythmic drugs




Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Positive inotropic effect ( $\text{Na}^+/\text{K}^+$ ATPase pump inhibitor)	Digoxin	Lanoxin® 	
$\text{Na}^+$ channel blocker (Class1C)	Propafenone HCl	Rytmonorm® 	
$\text{K}^+$ channel blocker (ClassIII)	Amiodarone	Cordarone® 	

### ❖ Anti-angina drugs



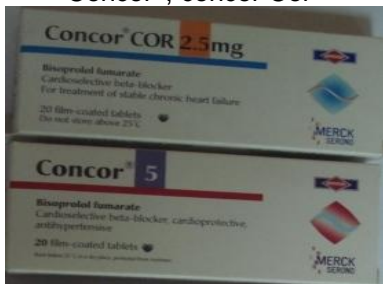

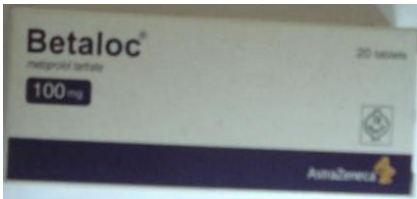




Pharmacology	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names	Active Constituents
Vasodilator (Organic nitrates)	Nitromack® 	Nitroderm® (patches) 	Nitroglycerin
	Dinitra® 	Cardiket®	Isosorbide dinitrate
	Effox® 	Monomack® 	Isosorbide mononitrate
3-KAT inhibitor* (Ketoacyl CoA thiolase)	Vastarel® 	Metacardia® 	Trimetazidine di-HCl



❖ **Anti-Hypotensives**

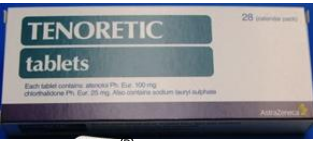

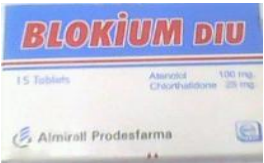
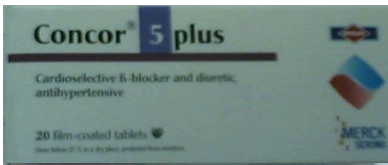
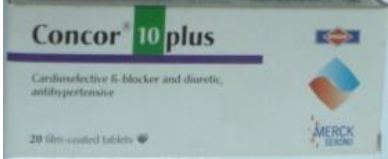

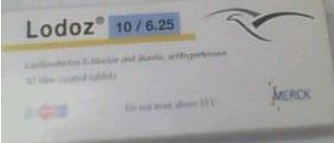

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Vasoconstrictor Alpha/Beta Agonist	Etilefrine	<b>Effortil®</b> 	<b>Vascon®</b> 
<p>The mechanism of heptaminol's therapeutic actions is not well understood although it has been suggested to affect catecholamine release or calcium metabolism.</p> <p><small>Read more at <a href="http://www.wrongdiagnosis.com/medical/heptaminol.htm?track=acplink">http://www.wrongdiagnosis.com/medical/heptaminol.htm?track=acplink</a></small></p>	Heptaminol	<b>Corasore®</b> 	

## ❖ Anti-Hypertensives

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Selective $\beta_1$ -Blocker	Atenolol	Tenormin <sup>®</sup> 	Blokium <sup>®</sup> 
	Bisoprolol	Concor <sup>®</sup> , concor Cor <sup>®</sup> 	Bisocard <sup>®</sup> 
	Metoprolol	Betaloc <sup>®</sup> 	
Non-selective (Combined $\alpha$ & $\beta$ Blocker)	Propranolol HCl	Inderal <sup>®</sup> 	Indolol <sup>®</sup> 
	Carvedilol	Dilatrol <sup>®</sup> 	Cardilol <sup>®</sup> , Dilatrend <sup>®</sup> 

### Hints:







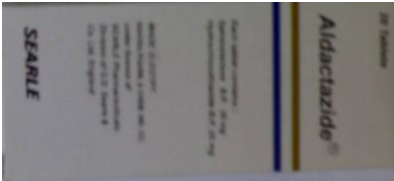

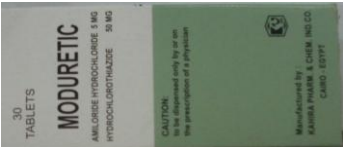

-olol =  $\beta$  Bloker

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Combination	Atenolol + Chlorthalidone	<p>Tenoretic®</p>  <p>Tenedone®</p> 	<p>Blokium Diu®</p> 
	Bisoprolol + Hydrochlorothiazide	<p>Concor Plus®</p>  	<p>Bisocard Plus®, Lodoz®</p>  
	Carvedilol + hydrochlorothiazide	<p>Co-Dilatrol®</p> 	

### Hints:









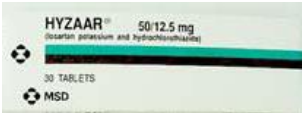
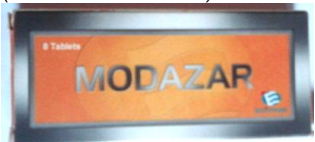
-olol =  $\beta$  Bloker

-thiazide = Thiazide diuretic

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Loop diuretics	Furosemide	Lasix <sup>®</sup> 	Lafurex <sup>®</sup> 
Non-thiazide diuretic	Indapamide	Natrilix SR <sup>®</sup> 	Diurix <sup>®</sup> 
Potassium-sparing diuretics (Aldosterone antagonist)	Spironolactone	Aldactone <sup>®</sup> 	Spironolactone <sup>®</sup> 
Diuretic Combination	Spironolactone + Hydrochlorothiazide	Aldactazide <sup>®</sup> 	
	Spironolactone + Furosemide	Lasilactone <sup>®</sup> 	
	Amiloride + Hydrochlorothiazide	Moduretic <sup>®</sup> 	Yostiretic <sup>®</sup> 





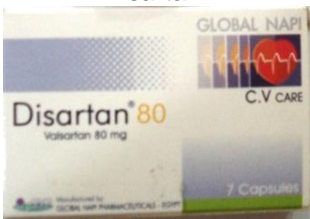

**Hints:**

- semide = Loop diuretic
- thiazide= Thiazide diuretic

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
ACE-I	Captopril	<p>Capoten®</p> 	<p>Lotensine®, hypopress®</p> 
	Captopril+ Hydrochlorothiazide	<p>Capozide®</p> 	
	Ramipril	<p>Tritace®</p> 	
	Lisinopril	<p>Zestril®</p> 	<p>Lisopril®</p> 
	Enalapril maleate	<p>Ezapril®</p> 	
Combination	Enalapril + hydrochlorothiazide	<p>Ezapril-Co®</p> 	
	HCTZ + Losartan	<p>Hyzaar®</p> 	<p>Modazar® Fortazaar® (double concentration)</p> 

**Hints:**

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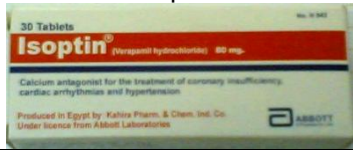






Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
ARB	<b>Losartan Potassium</b>	<b>Cozaar®</b> 	<b>Losartan®</b> 
	<b>Candesartan Cilexetil</b>	<b>Atacand®</b> 	
	<b>Valsartan</b>	<b>Tareg®</b> 	<b>Disartan®</b> 
<b>Angiotensin II Receptor Blocker</b>	<b>telmisartan</b>	<b>Micardis®</b>	
<b>ARB+ Diuretic</b>	<b>Valsartan + Hydrochlorothiazide</b>	<b>Co-Tareg® / Co-Diovan®</b> 	

#### Hints:

-sartan = ARB's

-thiazide = Thiazide diuretic



Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Non-DHP* Calcium Channel blocker	Diltiazem HCl	<p>Altiazem<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>Delay-Tiazem<sup>®</sup></p> 
	Verapamil	<p>Isoptin<sup>®</sup></p> 	
DHP Calcium Channel blocker	Amlodipine besylate	<p>Norvasc<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>Alkapres<sup>®</sup>, Miodura<sup>®</sup></p>
	Nifedipine	<p>Epilat<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>Adalat<sup>®</sup></p> 
Alpa-blocker	Prazosin HCl	<p>Minipress<sup>®</sup></p> 	
Centrally acting $\alpha$ -agonist	Methyl dopa	<p>Aldomet<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>Epidopa<sup>®</sup> (Epico company)</p> 


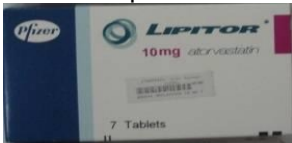






\*DHP: Dihydropyridine

**Hints:**

-dipine= Ca<sup>+</sup> channel blocker

-zocin =  $\alpha$  Bloker

❖ **Lipid regulatory agents**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Fibrates	Fenofibrate	Lipanthyl <sup>®</sup> 	Arteflex <sup>®</sup>
Statins (HMG CO-A reductase Inhibitor)	Atorvastatin	Lipitor <sup>®</sup> 	Ator <sup>®</sup> 
	Simvastatin	Zocor <sup>®</sup> 	Simvastat <sup>®</sup> 
	Fluvastatin	Lescol XL <sup>®</sup> 	
	Pravastatin	Lipostat <sup>®</sup> 	
	Rosuvastatin	Crestor <sup>®</sup> 	Rosuvast <sup>®</sup>

**Hints:**







-statin= HMG CO-A reductase Inhibitor



Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Combination	Simvastatin + Ezetimibe	<p>Inegy<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>Lipitrin<sup>®</sup></p> 
Bile acid sequestrants	Cholestyramine	<p>questran(eg) sachets<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>cholestran 4gm/s<sup>®</sup></p>  <p>12s(eg)</p>
Other	Fish oil + Wheat Germ oil	<p>Omega 3 Plus<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>Superomega, omega forte</p>

## Respiratory Disorders

### ❖ Asthma Preventers

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Inhaled corticosteroids	Fluticasone propionate	Flixotide® 	
	Budesonide	Pulmicort® 	Miflonide® 
Inhaled long-acting beta2 agonist	Formoterol fumarate	Foradil® 	Oxis® 
	Salmeterol xinafoate	Serevent® 	









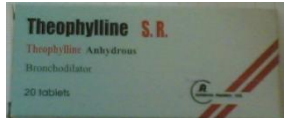
#### Hints:

- onide= Corticosteroids
- terol =  $\beta$ -agonist



#### Steroid inhalers:







Usually brown and orange in color. Some examples are Pulmicort and Flixotide.

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
New combination preventers	(A) Budesonide + Formoterol  (B) Salmeterol + Fluticasone	(A) Symbicort® 	(B) Seretide® 
Anti-leukotrienes	Montelukast sodium	Singulair®  Clear Air® 	Kokast®   Kast® 
Theophylline	Theophylline	Quibron SR® 	Theo SR®   Theophylline SR® 



**New combination preventers**  
Red & purple inhalers.  
Examples are Symbicort

**Asthma Quick relievers :**

	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Inhaled short-acting beta2 agonist	Salbutamol/ Albuterol	Ventolin® 	
	Terbutaline sulphate	Bricanyl® 	
Anticholinergic/ anti-muscarinics	Ipratropium bromide	Atrovent® 	
	Tiotropium bromide	Spiriva® 	
oral steroids	Prednisone	Hostacortin® 	
	prednisolone	Hostacortin H® 	

**Hints:**

Pred- , -pred , -Cort- = Corticosteroids

**Quick relievers**

Usually blue inhalers. Examples are Ventolin and Bricanyl.

## Drugs for Gastrointestinal Disorders

### ❖ Peptic Ulcer drugs

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
H <sub>2</sub> Receptors blockers	Ranitidine	Zantac® 	Aciloc® 
	Famotidine	Antodine/ Famotak® 	Servepep/ Peptec® 
Proton-pump inhibitors	Omeprazole	Omepak®   	Pepzol®, Risek®
	Esomeprazole	Nexium® 	
	Lansoprazole	Lanzor® 	Peptazol® 
	Pantoprazole	Controloc® 	Pantoloc® 



#### Hints:

-eprazole, -oprazole= Proton pump Inhibitors

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Triple therapy	Omeprazole + Tinidazole + Doxycycline	Trio®* 	

**Trio:** used in treatment of PUD caused by H.Pylori

### ❖ Anti-protozoa drugs


Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Imidazole derivatives	Metronidazole	Flagyl® 	Amrizole® 

#### Hints:




-dazole = Imidazole derivatives



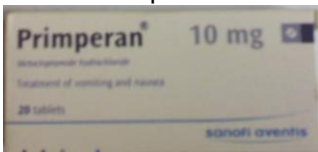





# ❖ Antispasmodics

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Anticholinergic agent, Scopolamine Derivatives	Hyoscine-N-Butylbromide	Buscopan® 	Spasmocin® 
	Hyoscine-N-Butylbromide + Dipyrrone	Buscopan Compositum® 	Spascolon® 
Anticholinergic agent	Dicyclomine HCl	Spasmorest® 	
Antimuscarinic agent	tiemonium methyl sulphate	Visceralgine® 	Viscera® 
	Camylofin + Analgin	Spasmo Pyralgin M® 	
5-HT <sub>3</sub> Receptor antagonist	Trimebutine maleate	Gast-Reg® 	Debridat® 

### ❖ Irritable colon drugs

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Antispasmodic agent	Mebeverine HCl + Sulpiride	Colona <sup>®</sup> 	
Prokinetic	Mosapride	Fluxopride <sup>®</sup> 	
Anticholinergic+ Benzodiazepine	Clidinium bromide + Chlordiazepoxide	Librax <sup>®</sup> 	

### ❖ Anti-emetics




Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Dopamine antagonist	Metoclopramide HCl	Primperan <sup>®</sup> 	
	Domperidone	Motilium <sup>®</sup>  Motinorm <sup>®</sup> 	
Selective 5-HT <sub>3</sub> Receptor antagonist	Ondansetron HCl	Zofran <sup>®</sup> 	Emerest <sup>®</sup>
	Adrenocortical Hormone + vit b6 – (pyridoxine)	Cortigen b6 <sup>®</sup> (amp)  Cortiplex <sup>®</sup> (amp) 	

#### Hints:

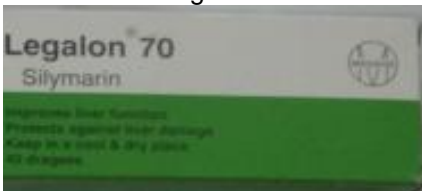








-serton = Selective 5-HT<sub>3</sub> Receptor antagonist [antiemetic]



### Anti-vertigo Drugs

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Histamine H <sub>3</sub> agonist	Betahistine	<p>Betaserc<sup>®</sup></p> 	<p>Verserc<sup>®</sup></p> 
Anti- Histamine	Cinnarizine	<p>Stugeron<sup>®</sup></p> 	

### ❖ Hepatic & Lipotropic drugs







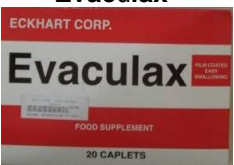
Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Flavonoids (hepatoprotective)	Silymarin	Legalon® 	Hepaticum® 
Gallstone Dissolution Agent	Ursodeoxycholic acid	Ursogall® 	Ursofalk® 
Hepatoprotective	D.D.B	D.D.B®* 	Hepacare®
Hepato- & reno- biliary Disorders therapy	Menthol + Menthone + Alphapinene Betapinene + Borneol + Camphene + Cineol + Olive oil	Rowachol® 	Bilichol® 
	Combination	Liver albumen® 	Levanox® 

\*D.D.B: Referred to as the Yellow pill in the Egyptian market





❖ **Anti-infective agents for GI disturbances and Diarrhea**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Oral nitrofurantoin Antibiotic	Nifuroxazide	Antinal <sup>®</sup> 	Diax <sup>®</sup> 
Anti-infective	Tiliquinol + Tilbroquinol	Intetrix <sup>®</sup> 	

❖ **Laxatives**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Stimulant Laxative	(A) Bisacodyl (B) Bisacodyl + Dioctyl Sodium Sulphosuccinate	(A) Abilaxine <sup>®</sup> 	(B) MinaLax <sup>®</sup> 
	Sodium Picosulphate	Picolax <sup>®</sup> 	Laxeol-PI <sup>®</sup> 
Bulk-forming Laxative	Plantago	Biolax <sup>®</sup> 	Plantago <sup>®</sup> 
	Ca Polycarbophil	Evaculax <sup>®</sup> 	

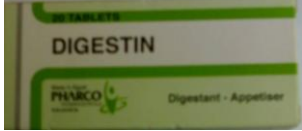



### ❖ Anti hemorrhoids

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Local anesthetic, Anti-inflammatory, Anti-puritic & Anti-spasmodic	Cinchocaine + hydrocortisone + Framycetine + Aesculoside	<b>Proctosedyl®</b> 	<b>Sediproct®</b> 
	Hydrocortisone Framycetin Esculin Bismuth subgallate		<b>Procto-4®</b> 
vasoprotective + Local Anesthetic;	Tribenoside + lidocaine	<b>Proctoglyvenol®</b> 	

#### Hints:

-caine = lidocaine





❖ **Anti-dyspepsia drugs:**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Digestive enzymes	Papain + Sanzyme	Digestin® 	
	Papain + Sanzyme + Pepsin	Neo-Digestin®	
Parasympatholytic	cellulose +methixene HCl + Pancreatin + pepsin + Simethicone+ Na dehydrocholate.	Spasmo canulase® 	
Proteolytic enzyme	Pancreatin + Ox-bile + Bromelin	Nutrizym® 	
Digestive, Spasmolytic and Anti-flatulent	Papain +Na dehydrocholate + Dicyclomine + Simethicone+Sanzyme	Spasmodigestin® 	

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Anti-flatulent	Dimethicone + Silicon dioxide	Dislatyl® 	
Antacid	Magnesium carbonate + Ca+ Carbonate.	Rennie® 	
Antacid/ Anti-flatulent	Aluminium hydroxide + MgOH + Simethicone	Maalox Plus® 	
	Aluminium hydroxide gel + Magnesium hydroxide + Dimethicone	Epicogel® 	
Oral antifoaming agent	<b>Simethicone</b> (polydimethylsiloxane and silica gel.)	Luftal® 	Simethicon® 
Activated Charcoal	Activated Charcoal + Senna + <b>Carbon</b> + Rhubarb + peppermint oil + sulpher+ fennel oil	Eucarbon® 	

## Drugs for Bone Disorders

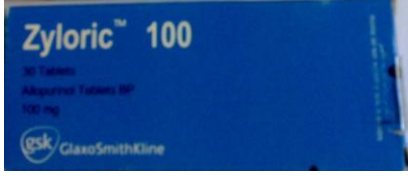



### ❖ Drugs affecting bone metabolism

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Calcitonin	Salmon <b>calcitonin</b>	Miacalcic <sup>®</sup> 	calcitonin <sup>®</sup>
Bisphosphonate Derivative	(A) Alendronate + Colicalciferol (B) Alendronate	(A) Fosavance <sup>®</sup> 	(B) Fosamax <sup>®</sup> 
	Risedronate Sodium	Actonel <sup>®</sup> 	

#### Hints:

-dronate = Bisphosphonate

❖ **Anti-Hyperuricemia drugs**






Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Xanthine Oxidase Inhibitor	Allopurinol	Zyloric® 	No Uric® 
Uricosuric	piperazine + colchicine+atropine+ sodium citrate	Urosolvine® 	Urivin® 



## Drugs for Endocrine Disorders

### ❖ Oral Hypoglycemic drugs

#### Insulin Secretagogue:

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Sulfonylurea (1 <sup>st</sup> Generation)	Gliclazide	Diamicron® 	
Sulfonylurea (2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation)	Glibenclamide	Daonil® 	Diaben® 
Sulfonylurea (2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation)	Glimepiride	Amaryl® 	Dolcyl® 



#### Non Sulfonylurea Insulin Secretagogue:

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Meglitinides	Repaglinide	NovoNorm® 	Repaglide® 

**Biguanide:**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Biguanide	Metformin Hydrochloride	Glucophage® 	Cidophage® 


**Insulin sensitizers:**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Thiazolidinedione (Insulin sensitizer)	Pioglitazone	Glustin® 	Hi glitazone® 


**Hints:**

-glitazone = Thiazolidinedione

**α Glycosidase Inhibitors**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
α Glycosidase Inhibitors	Acarbose	Glucobay® 	




**New Hypoglycemics**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Dipeptidyl Peptidase IV (DPP-IV) Inhibitor	sitagliptin	Januvia® 	





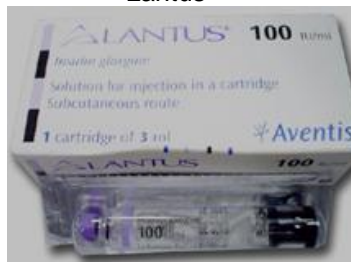


**Hints:**

-gliptin = DPP-4 enzyme inhibitor






**Combinations:**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Sulfonylurea (2nd)+ biguanide	Glibenclamide + Metformin	Glucovance® 	Glimet® 
	Glyburide + Metformin	Diavance® 	

# ❖ Insulin










Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Rapid Acting Insulin	Insulin Rapid acting	Lispro®	Aspart®
Short Acting Insulin	Crystalline (Regular Insulin)	Humulin-R® 	Actrapid® 
Intermediate-Acting Insulin	insulin isophan (NPH insulin)	Insulatard® 	Humulin N® 
Long acting (Glargine)	Insulin glargine	Lantus® 	
Combination	insulin isophan70%+regular 30%	Insulin Mixtard® 	humulin70/30® 

❖ **Thyroid Disorder drugs**

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Anti-hypothyroidism	thyroxin Sodium (L-thyroxine)	Eltroxin® 	Euthyrox® 
Anti-hyperthyroidism	Carbimazole	Carbimazole® 	Neomercazol® 
	Propylthiouracil	Thyrocil® 	

## Drugs for Urologic Disorder





### ❖ Benign Prostate Hyperplasia drugs

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
α- blocker	Doxazosin	Cardura® 	Dosin® 
	Terazosin	Itrin® 	
	Tamsulosin	Tamsulin® 	Tamic® 
5 α- reductase Inhibitors	Finasteride	Proscar® 	Prostat® 
others	Pumpkin seed oil	Pepon® 	Procure® 

#### Hints:

-afil = α-blocker

❖ **Erectile dysfunction drugs**






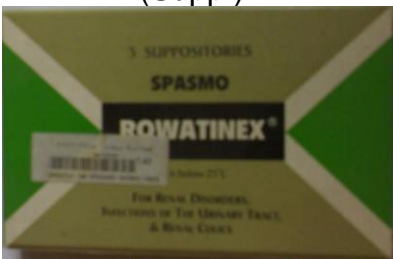
Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Phosphodiesterase-5-Inhibitor	Sildenafil Citrate	Viagra® 	Virecta® 
	Tadalafil	Cialis® 	Snafi® 

**Hints:**

-afil = Phosphodiesterase-5-Inhibitor









## Renal and Urinary Antiseptic










Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
???	Halphabarol	Proximol® 	
Combination	Atropine Sulphate + Colchicine + Piperazine	Urosolvine® 	UR-AID® 
Anti-Spasmodic oils	Betacamphene+fenchone+pinene, anethol, borneol, camphene, cineol, olive oil	Rowatinex® 	Urinex® 
	Fenchone, anethol, Betacamphene, cineole	Spasmo rowatinex® (Supp.) 	

## Antibiotics

❖ Cell wall Synthesis Inhibitors $\beta$ -Lactams








Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Penicillins	Benzyl penicillin	Retarpen <sup>®</sup> 	Penicillin G Sodium <sup>®</sup> 
	Phenoxymethyl penicillin	Ospen <sup>®</sup>	
	Ampicillin + Cloxacillin	Ampiclox <sup>®</sup> 	
	Sulbactam + Ampicillin	Unasyn <sup>®</sup> 	Unictam <sup>®</sup> 
	Amoxicillin	Amoxil <sup>®</sup>	Hiconcil <sup>®</sup> 

**Hints:**-cillin=  $\beta$ -lactam

Pharmacology		Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names	Active Constituents
Penicillins combination		Augmentin® 	Hibiotic® 	Amoxicillin + Clavulanic acid
		Flumox® 	Flucamox® 	Amoxicillin + flucloxacillin
Cephalosporins	1 <sup>st</sup> Generation	Ceporex® 	Keflex® 	Cephalexin
		Duricef® 	Curisafe® 	Cefadroxil
		Velosef® 	Fortecef®	Cephadrine

**Hints:**

Ceph- = first generation Cephalosporins  
except Cefazolin

Pharmacology	Active constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Cephalosporins	2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation	Cefaclor <sup>®</sup> 	BactiClor
		Zinnat <sup>®</sup> 	
Cephalosporins	3 <sup>rd</sup> Generation	Cefobid <sup>®</sup> (b.i.d twice daily) 	Cefrone <sup>®</sup>
		Claforan <sup>®</sup> 	Cefotax <sup>®</sup> 
		Oframox <sup>®</sup> 	Rocephen <sup>®</sup> (Roche Company) 






**Hints:**

Cef- = Cephalosporin

-fa-, -fam-, -fox-, -tea-, -fur- = 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Cephalosporin's

*Exceptions : cefmetazole , cefonicid , cefprozil , loracarbef*











Tri or t = 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation cephalosporin's (parental preparations)




Pharmacology		Most Frequently Dispensed		Similar Product Names
Cephalosporins	3 <sup>rd</sup> Generation	Cefprozil	Cefzil® 	
		Ceftazidime	Fortum® 	Cefzim® 
		Cefpodoxim	Orelox® 	
		Cefdinir	Omnicel®	
	4 <sup>th</sup> generation	Cefepime	Maxipime® 	Wincer®

Others

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Others	Vancomycin	Vancomycin®	Vancocin®
	linezolid	Averozolid 600®	

### ❖ Protein Synthesis Inhibitors

Pharmacology	Active constituent	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Tetracycline group	Tetracycline	Hostacycline® 	Tetracid® (Cid Company) 
	Doxycycline	Doxymin® 	Farcodoxin® (Pharco company) 
Aminoglycosides	Gentamicin	Garamycin®	Gentamicin®
	Tobramycin	Tobracin®	Tobcin®
Macrolides	Erythromycin	Erythromycin®	Erythrocin®
	Azithromycin	Zithromax® 	Azolid®  Zithrocan® 
	Clarithromycin	Klacid® 	
	Spiramycin	Rovac® 	Rovamycin® 









Pharmacology	Active constituent	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Lincosamides group	Clindamycin	Clindam <sup>®</sup> 	Dalacin-C <sup>®</sup> 
Chloramphenicol	Chloramphenicol	Miphenicol <sup>®</sup> (Misr Company) 	Cidocetine

**Hints:**

- cycline : tetracycline
- mycin: aminoglycoides, Macrolide, lincosamides



❖ **DNA Replication Inhibitor**

Pharmacology	Active constituent	Most Frequently Dispensed		Similar Product Names
Quinolones *	ciprofloxacin	Ciprofar <sup>®</sup>		Ciprobay <sup>®</sup> 
	Gatifloxacin	Gastacin, gatilox		Tequin 
	Levofloxacin	Tavanic <sup>®</sup>		Tavacin <sup>®</sup> 
	ofloxacin	Noracin <sup>®</sup>		Kiroll <sup>®</sup>  Tarivid <sup>®</sup> 

\*Should not be used with patients under 18 years old



**Hints:**

-floxacin : Quinolones

❖ **Anti-metabolites**










Pharmacology	Active constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Folic acid synthesis inhibitors	<u>Sulpha</u> methoxazole + <u>trim</u> ethoprim (TMP + SMZ)	Septrin- D.S. <sup>®</sup> 	Sutrim forte <sup>®</sup>

❖ **Anti-tubercular drugs**

Pharmacology	Active constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
	Rifampicin (Rifampin)	Rimactane <sup>®</sup> 	
	Rifampicin + Isoniazid	Rimactazid <sup>®</sup> 	Rifam plus <sup>®</sup>
	Streptomycin	Streptomycin	

## Miscellaneous Drugs








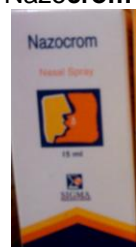
### ❖ Ophthalmic Preparations

Therapeutic Class	Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Decongestant and Antihistaminic Eye Drops	Adrenergic Agonist Agent	Tetrahydrozoline	Visine® 	Occuzoline®
Antibacterial Eye Drops	Aminoglycosides	Tobramycin	Tobrex® 	Tobralex®
Antibacterial & Corticosteroid Eye Drops	Aminoglycoside/ Corticosteroid	<b>Tobramycin and Dexamethasone</b>	<b>Tobradex®</b> 	<b>Optidex-T®</b> 
Preparations for Dryness of the Eye		Methylhydroxypropylcellulose (Hydroxy propyl methylcellulose)	Tears Natural® 	Tears Guard® 
		Carboxymethylcellulose	Refresh plus®* 	Refresh tears® 
Drops for Eye Allergy and Inflammation	Corticosteroid	<b>Prednisolone Acetate</b>	<b>Pred forte®</b> 	<b>Echonopred Plus®, solupred®</b>

Therapeutic Class	Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Decongestant and Anti-histaminic and Anti-allergic Eye and Nasal Drops	Histamine H <sub>1</sub> Antagonist + Alpha 1 Agonist	Chlorpheniramine Maleate + Naphazoline Hydrochloride	 Prisoline®	 Optozoline®

\*Refresh plus: each dose in separate pack.




### ❖ Nasal Preparations

Therapeutic Class	Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Nasal Anti-Allergic	Corticosteroid	Fluticasone Propionate	 Flixonase®	 Ticanase®
Nasal Decongestant	Decongestant	Oxymetazoline HCl	 Afrin®	 Oxymet®
	Vasoconstrictor (α- receptor stimulant)	Xylometazoline HCl	 Otrivin®	 Balkis®, Nasostop®
	Mast cell stabilizer	Sod. Cromoglycate	 Nasotal®	 Nazocrom®






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#### Hints:

-olone = Corticosteroids

Alkaline Nasal preparation	NaCl + NaHCO <sub>3</sub> + Borax	<b>Alka-Misr®</b> 	
Systemic nasal congestion	Non sedating antihistaminic + <b>decongestant</b>	Loratadine micronised + Pseudoephedrine	<b>Clarinase®</b>  <b>Decongest-L®</b> 

### ❖ Anti-allergy

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Histamine H <sub>1</sub> Antagonist	Loratadine	<b>Claritin®</b> 	<b>Mosedin®</b> 
	Desloratadine	<b>Aerius®</b> 	
	Fexofenadine HCl	<b>Telfast®</b> 	<b>Allerfen®</b> 










### ❖ Smoking cessation:

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
	<b>Varenicline</b>	<b>Champix®</b> 	

### ❖ Corticosteroids

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Corticosteroid	Hydrocortisone	Solu cortef <sup>®</sup> (Vial) 	

### ❖ Common Cold and Influenza

	Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Common Cold and Influenza	Analgesic+ Decongestant +Anticholinergic	Paracetamol +Phenylpropanol amine*+ Diphenhydramine	Night and Day <sup>®</sup> 	Noflu <sup>®</sup> 
	H <sub>1</sub> Antagonist+ Decongestant+ Analgesic+ Xanthine	Chlorpheniramine +Pseudo ephedrine + Paracetamol +Caffeine	Flurest <sup>®</sup> 	Flustop <sup>®</sup> 
	H <sub>1</sub> Antagonist+ Decongestant + Analgesic	Chlorpheniramine Maleate + Pseudoephedrine HCl+Paracetamol	Comtrex <sup>®</sup> 	Congestal <sup>®</sup> 
	Analgesic+ Antihistamine+ Decongestant	Bromopheniramine Maleate + Pseudoephedrine HCl+Paracetamol		Comtrex MAXIMUM <sup>®</sup> 
	Vitamin, water Soluble	Ascorbic acid	Vitacid C <sup>®</sup> 	Upsa C <sup>®</sup> 

Phenylpropanolamine: Safety concerns (Hemorrhagic shock)

### ❖ Anti-Edema

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Proteolytic enzymes	Chymotrypsin + trypsin	Alphintern <sup>®</sup> 	Ambezim-G <sup>®</sup> 



# ❖ Vitamins

Pharmacology	Active Constituents	Most Frequently Dispensed	Similar Product Names
Vitamin B Supplement	Vit B <sub>1</sub> (Thiamine) Hydrochloride+ Vit B <sub>12</sub> (Cyanocobalamin)+ Vit B <sub>6</sub> (Pyridoxine HCl)	Neurovit®  Neurorubine™ 	Neurobion® 
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub>	Hydroxycobalamin	Depovit B <sub>12</sub> ® 	B <sub>12</sub> Depot® 
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub> & Folic acid & Erythropoietin preparations	Cyanocobalamin	Betolvex® 	Cobalvex®, Cidolvex® 
Vitamin B Supplements	Sulbutiamine	Arcalion® 	Activate® 
Vitamin B Supplement with ATP	ATP + Vitamin B <sub>12</sub> + Cocarboxylase + Nicotinamide	Adenoplex Forte® 	Epinosine-B Forte® 



## NEW DRUGS IN EGYPTIAN MARKET 2010

Trade name	Generic name	Indication
1. Angiopress 50	Captopril	Anti-hypertensive
2. Angiosartan (10,20,40)	Olmesartan	Anti-hypertensive
3. Biocardis	Telmisartan	Anti-hypertensive
4. Egypro	Bisoprolol fumarate	Anti-hypertensive
5. Irbedrin , (75,150,300)	Irbesartan	Anti-hypertensive
6. Aprovel		
7. Engilor (2.5/500 – 5/500)	Glipizide + Metformin	Anti-diabetic
8. Glaryl (3,4)	Glimepride	Anti-diabetic
9. Glucolight XR 500	Metformin	Anti-diabetic
10. Pioglutmet	Pioglitazone 15mg + Metformin 850 mg	Anti-diabetic
11. Reglidip ( 12, 15)	Glimepride	Anti-diabetic
12. Torseretic (10,20)		Diuretic
13. Actoday 5	Risedronate	Osteoporosis
14. Zetlip (10/20, 10/40)	Ezetimibe + Simvastatin	Cholesterol lowering

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